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| PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)   |  | Docket No. (Optional)<br>27392/24665 |                            |   |           |   |    |   |    |  |    |  |    |
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|  | In re Application of Bernhard Lingenh le, et al.                               |                                      |                            |   |           |   |    |   |    |  |    |  |    |
|  | Application Number<br>10/080,112   |                                      | Filed<br>February 21, 2002 |   |           |   |    |   |    |  |    |  |    |
|  | For: MEDICAL OR DENTAL-MEDICAL TREATMENT INSTRUMENT<br>HAVING A FILTER ELEMENT |                                      |                            |   |           |   |    |   |    |  |    |  |    |
|  | Art Unit<br>3732   | Examiner<br>Ralph A. Lewis           |                            |   |           |   |    |   |    |  |    |  |    |
| <p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.</p> <p>The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):</p> <table><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))</td><td>\$ 110.00</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))</td><td>\$</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))</td><td>\$</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))</td><td>\$</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))</td><td>\$</td></tr></table> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 13-2855</p> <p>I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.</p> <p>I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.<br/><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.<br/>Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).<br/><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number<br/><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).<br/>Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) 39,746</p> <p>November 7, 2003<br/>Date</p> <p>(312) 474-6650<br/>Telephone Number</p> <p><br/>Signature</p> <p>Bryan J. Lempia<br/>Typed or printed name</p> <p>NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Total of 1 forms are submitted.</p> |  |                                      |                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$ 110.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$ | <input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$ | <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$ | <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))   | \$   |                                      |                            |   |           |   |    |   |    |  |    |  |    |

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Dated: November 7, 2003

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(Bryan J. Lempia)